

Sunday Bulletin

Blessed Sacrament & Roncalli Newman Parishes
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | November 6th, 2022

Contact BSP: (608)-782-2953 bsplacrosse.org | RNP: (608)-860-6001 roncallinewmancenter.com

RNP Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs 9am - 12pm, 1pm - 4pm
Fri 9am - 12pm

BSP Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs 9am - 12pm, 1pm - 4pm
Fri 9am - 12pm

Sunday Mass Times

Sat. 4:30pm @ BSP
Sun. 9am (BSP), 11:15am (RNP), & 8:30pm (RNP)

Daily Mass Times

BSP Mon - Fri 8:00am
RNP Tues 5:15pm
RNP Wed & Fri Noon
RNP Thurs 7pm

Confession Times

Saturday evening @ 3:30pm or by appt.

Around the Parish

Men's Prayer and Fellowship

The November Men's prayer and fellowship gathering will be Tuesday November 8th from 6-7:30 pm at Blessed Sacrament parish center conference room. This is an opportunity for the men of both Parishes to pray for each other's needs and discuss topics relevant for the month of November. Bring your Rosary and a friend. We will release some souls from purgatory. See you then

High School Confirmation Reminder

This is just a friendly reminder that all high school youth preparing for Confirmation will meet on **Sunday, November 20th from 5:00pm-8:00pm at Blessed Sacrament in the Parish Hall** for our second session with Fr. Dodge. Only candidates need to attend and a meal will be provided.

Seeking Coat Donations

With the colder weather approaching, The La Crosse Jail Ministry Program is seeking donations of new and gently used men and women's boots and shoes. Bins will be placed at both entrances at Roncalli Newman for collection. Thank you so much! For questions contact: Dee Paqué dpaque2020@outlook.com or 608-498-0168.

High School Faith Formation

High School Faith Formation will meet this **Wednesday November 9th from 7:00pm-8:30pm** at Blessed Sacrament in the Parish Hall.

Thanksgiving Potluck - Nov 17th

For many years, Roncalli Newman Parish has celebrated Thanksgiving a week in advance with its student population. The "mother of all potlucks" is preceded by prayer in the chapel. We hope that BSP parishioners will attend this annual event on Thursday, November 17th. The Thanksgiving prayer will begin in the Roncalli Newman chapel at 5:45PM, with the potluck to follow (in the lower level). Stationary members are encouraged to sign up to bring a dish to pass; students just bring themselves! Sign ups to set up, serve and clean up will be at the entrances following this weekend's Masses.

Marian Catechist Apostolate

Do you have a devotion to Mary? Do you pray the Rosary often or perhaps daily? Perhaps the Marian Catechist Apostolate would be of interest to you. Pat Brueggen director of the Marian Catechist Apostolate at the Shrine of our Lady of Guadalupe is scheduled to speak about the Marian Catechist Apostolate on November 15th at 7pm in the Conference room at Blessed Sacrament Parish Center. Spread the word. Bring a friend. All are welcome from all parishes in La Crosse. Questions? Contact Pat at pbrueggen@quadalupeshrine.org

Advent Christmas Fair Help Needed

See the online bulletin and/or church entrances for ways to get involved, ways volunteer, and items to bring to make this year's fair a success!

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

November 12/13

Saturday, Nov 12, 4:30 PM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Joan Mueller	Reader (1)
Tom Kieffer	Reader (2)
Maria J.	Server
Michael J.	Server
Annie Berendes	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Suzanne Verdoliva	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Michael J Porter	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Pat Abraham	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Mike Vanderploeg	Sacristan/MC
Caryl Doberstein	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
Luci Johnson	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Sunday, Nov 13, 9:00 AM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Bobbi Schamberger	Reader (1)
Paul Thompson	Reader (2)
Jonny W.	Server
Jackson W.	Server
John Gallagher	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
John Horman	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Richard Kotovich	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Dave Schreier	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
William Arnold	Sacristan/MC
Donna Lee	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
Larry Lee	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Sunday, Nov 13, 11:15 AM (Mass at Roncalli Newman)

Michele Thorman	Reader (1)
Grace Nicholson-Maly	Reader (2)
Mark Neuville	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Maureen Neuville	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Tim Fuss	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Kathy Fuss	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Waide Fisher	Gift Bearer
Maria Fisher	Gift Bearer
Kathy Running	Sacristan/MC

November 19/20

Saturday, Nov 19, 4:30 PM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Gene Kolaczowski	Reader (1)
Caryl Doberstein	Reader (2)
Mike H.	Server
Elizabeth H.	Server
Thomas Miller	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Pat Abraham	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Natalie Schwinn Weaver	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Scott Weaver	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Mike Vanderploeg	Sacristan/MC
Ellen Kallies	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
Mary Therese Rinzel	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Sunday, Nov 20, 9:00 AM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Tony Weisse	Reader (1)
Thomas Michel	Reader (2)
Charlee G.	Server
Ruby G.	Server
Scott Smerud	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Karen Gamoke	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Kathie Hanna	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Michele Cook	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
William Arnold	Sacristan/MC
Greg Sauer	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
Maggie Leon	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
Marie Allen	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Sunday, Nov 20, 11:15 AM (Mass at Roncalli Newman)

Debbie Clarkin	Reader (1)
Maureen Neuville	Reader (2)
Sherwin Toribio	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Alie Toribio	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Carol Knox	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Karen Lange	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Sean O'Flaherty	Gift Bearer
Judy Kabat	Gift Bearer
Mary Lou Balts	Sacristan/MC

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 5

4:30pm BSP +Mary Crowley

Sunday, November 6- 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am BSP +Dale and Priscilla Reinhart

11:15am RNP +Oscar Peterslie

Monday, November 7

8am BSP + Steven Pavela

Tuesday, November 8

8am BSP +Patty Gotz

5:15pm RNP +Betty Stellpflug *NO PUBLIC MASS

Wednesday, November 9

8am BSP +Andrew Nevelle - SCHOOL MASS

12pm RNP +Luke Lucyszyn *NO PUBLIC MASS

Thursday, November 10

8am BSP +Elizabeth Keppel

7pm RNP Reparation for offense against Mary

Friday, November 11

8am BSP + Winnie Ferring,+ George Ferring,

+ Georgia Tobin

12pm RNP + Vince Hatt

Saturday, November 12

4:30pm BSP + Don Gallagher

Sunday, November 13- 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am BSP +Clarence and Verna Clements

11:15am RNP +Larry Hogder

This Week

Saturday, November 5

- Confessions, 3:30pm @ BSP
- Rosary, 4:05pm (led by Natalie Schwinn)

Sunday, November 6

- Rosary, 8:35am (led by Irm Drier or Barb Swieciak)

Monday, November 7

- Lectio: The Case for Jesus, 6-7:30pm BSP Hall
- Upcoming Sunday Scripture Study, 6pm RNP

Tuesday, November 8

- RCIA Class, 6:30pm BSP
- Liturgy Committee Mtg, 5:45pm
- Men's November Fellowship and Prayer, 6pm BSP

Wednesday, November 9

- Dogma and Donuts Men's Group, 8:45am BSP
- Liturgical Choir Rehearsal, 6pm RNP
- RCIA Class, 7pm RNP
- High School Faith Formation, 7pm - 8:30pm BSP

Thursday, November 10

Friday, November 11

Saturday, November 12

- Confessions, 3:30pm @ BSP
- Rosary, 4:05pm (led by Mary Schuttenhelm)

Sunday, November 13

- Rosary, 8:35am (led by Deacon Dave and Marie Allen)
- Families Forming Disciples
- Bread Sale SJC, 12pm RNP

Weekend Collection 10/30

BSP \$7,320.00 // RNP \$8,630.00

Families Forming Disciples

Families Forming Disciples does **NOT meet this Sunday November 6th or Wednesday November 9th Families should be completing their Lesson 3 Week 2 At Home Mission.** We will see our Sunday participants and Wednesday participants respectively, again on Sunday November 13th and Wednesday November 16th for Lesson 3 Week 3 where families will share with others about their Week 2 At Home Mission.

Raffle Basket Items Needed

Christmas Fair Raffle Baskets: We are collecting items for our raffle baskets, especially for the Family Fun Night and Children's Crafts baskets. If you have items for any baskets, please put them in the basket in the SCRIP room, or call Marie Allen 608-799-9196 or Steph Gauger 608-385-5560 to pick them up. Collecting entire baskets as well. We will assemble the baskets from 9 am to noon on **Nov. 10th** in the BSP conference room.

Pies Needed for Advent Christmas Fair

Pie Bakers Unite! Natalie Bennet and her daughters will 'Chair' of the Slice of Pie area during the mid day at our Advent Christmas Fair. This new area will offer a complimentary slice of pie and cup of coffee for our shoppers - a free will offering will be accepted. Please contact her with your promise of a pie donation for the day. bennetts6kids@gmail.com

Social Justice Bread Sale

The Social Justice annual bread sale will be Sunday, November 13 after the 11:15 Mass at Newman. We will bake bread for the sale Saturday, November 12 at 9AM in the Newman kitchen. If you are unable to join us on the 12th to bake, please consider baking bread at home. Bring your contributions to Mass Nov.13 and place them on one of the bread carts by each entrance. Please label loaves with type of bread and nut content. Donations can be also be brought to the Newman kitchen on the 12th or 13th. The proceeds from the sale will go to help Social Justice assist those in need as well as to support Roncalli Newman's covenant church membership in Bread for the World, a national organization that does critical advocacy for hungry people by promoting government policies that assist those in need. If you have questions email Wanda at wjwochos@charter.net Thank You!

Campus Ministry

From the desk of Maddie Stoffel

Thank you to all of our parishioners who so generously support our students, including those of you who prepare food week after week for our free student dinners. Our outreach on campus would seriously not look like what it does without you. This past Tuesday, we served 125 students for our Hot Dish Night! The 3 upcoming Tuesdays will look a little different than normal. My friend and I are making the meal ourselves from scratch on Nov. 8 and there will not be student dinner on Nov. 15 or 22, due to encouraging students to attend the parish Thanksgiving feast and the following week being the holiday week with students traveling home. We ARE asking again for snacks as finals are on the horizon (crazy to say!!) in about a month and we will see a rise in students studying at RNC. Some snack idea are: chips (the most popular), pudding, granola bars, healthier snacks like nuts or applesauces, and individual bags of cookies. Thank you again for all that you do to support our students. You are building the Kingdom of Heaven!

Volunteers Needed for Faith Formation

Our NEW collaborative faith formation program, Families Forming Disciples (FFD), serving families from all six of the La Crosse parishes, is off to a great start. We have over 75 families gathering several times a month to learn about and share their faith with one another. We are still in need of Catechists/Small Group leaders to help facilitate discussions and witness to their own experience of faith. FFD meets either on Wednesday evenings or Sunday mornings. If you are feel called to serve the families of our parishes in this ministry please contact Kristin Johnson at 608-788-5483 Ext 4 or 608-860-6001 Ext 5 or by email at kjohnson@mmoclacrosse.org or kjohnson@newmanlc.org

Hosea's Heart Guests Nov. 6th

Hannah Manders and Mary Kate Martin will be speaking about "Hosea's Heart" at the 11:15 Mass on Sunday, November 6. Hannah and Mary Kate are UWL graduates and former Newman parishioners. Hannah has been a missionary at Hosea's Heart for the past three years . Hosea's Heart was founded in 2013 by Mary Kate. Information will be given at the end of Mass followed by a 20 minute presentation in Newman's basement. See the online bulletin for more info about Hosea's Heart!

Grandma's Pantry Items Needed

"Grandma's Pantry at the Advent Christmas Fair needs all kinds of treats from your kitchen! Cookies, cakes, cupcakes, breads, bars, candy, canned goods, jams & jellies, etc. This year we are also asking for donations of other working kitchen items, such as aprons, utensil/gadgets, and hot pads. All items can be dropped off all day, Thursday & Friday, November 17 & 18. Thank you!"

Men of the Cross Conference - Nov 12

Join us for the Men of the Cross conference Saturday, November 12th. Speakers include Jeff Cavins (co-producer of the Bible in a Year Podcast), and Father Check from the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The day will conclude with Mass with Bishop Callahan. Cost is \$45. The day will include a light breakfast, lunch, confession, Adoration, rosary procession and small group discussions. Middle and High School age sons get free admission. Questions? Email Dave at djschreier@yahoo.com

Music & Liturgy

From the desk of Mary Ellen Hauptert

THANKSGIVING POTLUCK – Thursday, November 17 th @ 6:00 PM

The Annual Thanksgiving Potluck will be with prayer in the Roncalli Newman chapel at 5:45 PM, with the potluck to follow (in the lower level). Stationary members are encouraged to sign up to bring a dish to pass; students just bring themselves!

UPCOMING HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULES

For the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on December 8th**, there will be a Vigil Mass at Blessed Sacrament at 5:30 on December 7 th and three Masses on December 8 th : 8:00 AM @ BSP, Noon @ RNP, and 7:00 PM @ RNP.

For the **Solemnity of the Nativity of Our Lord (Christmas)**, there will be three Masses on Christmas Eve and two on Christmas Day:

- o Christmas Eve: 4:00 PM @ Blessed Sacrament; 6:00 PM Family Mass @ Roncalli Newman; and 8:00PM Candlelight Mass @ Roncalli Newman
- o Christmas Day: 9:00 AM @ Blessed Sacrament and 11:15 AM @ Roncalli Newman

NEED FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR CHRISTMAS

There are openings for volunteers at all the Masses for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Please contact Mary Ellen if you are unable to sign up via the MSP APP. Thank you!

NEED FOR MORE EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS @ BLESSED SACRAMENT

If you are interested in serving as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at Blessed Sacrament Parish, please let Mary Ellen know at your earliest convenience. Dave Schreier is willing to do another training session before Christmas. After completing training, all new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be commissioned according to the Rite of Commissioning (which will follow the homily on a date of Father Billy's choosing). It would be great if we could build a bigger list of volunteers for this important ministry!

NEED FOR MORE GIFT BEARERS @ RONCALLI NEWMAN

Several gift bearers at Roncalli Newman Parish requested to be made inactive. Now that we have returned to scheduling gift bearers at the 11:15 AM Mass, it would be nice to have a larger group to share the work. If you are interested in serving in the ministry, please let Mary Ellen know via email.

CONSIDER SINGING with one of our CHRISTMAS CHOIRS!

Each Christmas season, I put out an invitation for singers and instrumentalists to join our Family Christmas Choir (which will be at the 6:00 PM Mass this year) and Christmas Choir (which will sing at 8:00 PM) – both at Roncalli Newman Parish. Our first Christmas Choir rehearsal will be Wednesday, November 30th at Roncalli Newman Parish from 5:30 – 7:00 PM; the rehearsal for the Family Mass is TBA. Please email Mary Ellen at mehauptert@viterbo.edu (or sign up at the piano) if you'd be willing to sing! It's a great way to meet new people and give back to the parish!!

There will also be special music at Blessed Sacrament @ 4:00 PM on Christmas Eve. Sam Scheidt will be the cantor for that Mass and Pauline Connell will play the organ. Other singers and instrumentalists are welcome to participate in that liturgy. Please let Mary Ellen know your preference so that she and Mary Blaha-DeBoer can organize accordingly.

Pastoral Notes

From the desk of Fr. Billy Dodge

Praised be Jesus Christ,

WARNING: Watch out for e-mail scams! Several parishioners have fallen for a scam in which someone pretending to be me sends an email asking for monetary assistance - usually gift cards - and to email them the numbers on the gift cards. The ONLY email I use is billyjdodge@gmail.com - do not forget the letter "J". Often these scammers have emails like father.billy.dodge@gmail.com and include a picture of me which they found online, so be careful! If you have any doubt just call the parish office or call me and ask if I am in need of financial assistance. Do not give away any information through email or text.

From November 7 - 15, I will be on an 8 day silent retreat in Clearwater, Florida, just outside of Tampa Bay. Every priest is required by Canon Law to go on retreat at least once a year. While I am away pray that the retreat will be spiritually rejuvenating. I will not have access to my phone or the internet. So if you or a loved one gets hospitalized you can reach out to Father Sam, or ask the hospital staff to contact the emergency priest on call in order to receive the Sacraments of Anointing of the Sick and Confession.

God bless,
Father Billy Dodge



November Reminds Us of the Reality of Purgatory

by Donal Anthony Foley

St. Faustina revealed in her Diary that she was taken to Purgatory by her guardian angel, which she described as a misty place full of fire in which there was a great crowd of suffering souls. These were praying fervently for themselves, but to no avail, because only we can come to their aid. The flames that were burning them did not touch her at all. She asked these souls what was their greatest suffering, to which they replied in one voice, “longing for God.”

We can help them, especially this month. November is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Souls, who, according to Church teaching, are detained in Purgatory where they are being cleansed of the effects of their sins, before they can enter the presence of God. They are called “holy” because they have passed beyond the portals of this life, so they cannot commit any further sins, and their salvation is assured.

The classic New Testament passage alluding to Purgatory is found in Chapter 5 of Matthew’s Gospel, where Christ speaks of not getting out of prison until the last penny has been paid (vs 25-26). This passage indicates that it is necessary to be absolutely pure and sinless before one can see God.

St. Paul’s first letter to the Corinthians also alludes to Purgatory, when he speaks of a man’s work being burned up, but he himself being saved, but only as through fire. (1 Cor 3:14-15). This passage gives us a picture of the sufferings of Purgatory, which have been traditionally understood in terms of fire.

The Catechism (1030-31) has this to say about Purgatory: “All who die in God’s grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. The Church gives the name Purgatory to this final purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the damned.”

So the Church is quite clear about the existence of Purgatory, and November has long been regarded as an important time to remember our deceased loved ones, and all the Holy Souls.

This doesn’t mean, however, that we ignore them during the rest of the year. We can pray for them, or visit a cemetery and pray for particular souls, any time. We can also gain a partial indulgence on their behalf, using, for example, the following well-known prayer: “Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.”

We can also pray for them to St. Nicholas of Tolentino, the patron saint of the Holy Souls. And likewise, we can pray the Rosary or do the Stations of the Cross for the Holy Souls. But as the Catechism tells us (1032), the best thing is to have Masses offered for them, that they may be speedily released from their sufferings.

We also need to do our best to avoid Purgatory ourselves, or at least shorten our time there, through the means offered us by the Church. These include wearing the Brown Scapular and taking advantage of the Sabbatine privilege, which is associated with it.

The basic Scapular promise is that the wearer “will not suffer eternal fire,” through the intercession of Our Lady, who will ensure that the person obtains the grace of final perseverance and dies in a state of grace. The Sabbatine privilege is based on a 14th century papal bull, which implied that those who wore the Scapular and observed

chastity according to their state in life, while also reciting the Little Office of Our Lady, would be freed from Purgatory on the first Saturday after their death. The word "Sabbatine" comes from the Sabbath, that is, Saturday.

Today, the Church defines it in a more limited sense, that those who fulfill the conditions of the Sabbatine privilege can expect to be freed from Purgatory soon after death, and particularly on a Saturday.

In more recent times, the practice of saying five decades of the Rosary every day has replaced the condition of reciting the Little Office of Our Lady. This fits with Our Lady's request at Fatima to pray the Rosary daily in reparation for sin, and especially for peace in the world.

Purgatory was also mentioned by Our Lady at Fatima, during her first apparition, when Lucia asked about a young woman named Amelia, who had recently died. Our Lady responded that Amelia would be in Purgatory "until the end of world." The Blessed Virgin affirmed the Catholic belief in Purgatory in terms that were quite sobering, if not startling.

Despite this reality, St. Catherine of Genoa reminds us of the hope for these souls in her Treatise on Purgatory: "I believe no happiness can be found worthy to be compared with that of a soul in Purgatory except that of the saints in Paradise; and day by day, this happiness grows as God flows into these souls, more and more as the hindrance to His entrance is consumed. Sin's rust is the hindrance, and the fire burns the rust away so that more and more the soul opens itself up to the divine inflowing."

So while Purgatory is a painful experience, it is one in which the soul will gradually be purified and become increasingly happy as it gets spiritually closer to God.

One thing is certain, God does not want us to go to Purgatory, or worse, hell, and has provided abundant means to avoid this fate and swiftly enter heaven. The Five First Saturdays devotion and the Divine Mercy devotion were given to us during the 20th century, and while the former is a promise of salvation, the latter provides a way by which each year, just after Easter, all our sins can be forgiven and the punishment due to them remitted.

Purgatory is certainly something that should be taken seriously, but if we do our best to remain in a state of grace through prayer and the sacraments, particularly Holy Communion and confession, and live a moral life, while taking advantage of the various devotions available, we can be part of the wonderful vision of Heaven that St. John the Evangelist beheld:

"A great multitude which no man could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, 'Salvation belongs to our God who sits upon the throne, and to the Lamb!'" (Rev 7:9-10)

Donal Anthony Foley is the author of a number of books on Marian Apparitions, and maintains a related web site at www.theotokos.org.uk. He has also written two time-travel/adventure books for young people, and the third in the series is due to be published shortly.

Catholic Boy Scout Emblems

Calling all Boy Scouts interested in earning their Religious Emblems: Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII. If your unit does not offer classes and you want information on classes please contact Cindy at catholicreligiousemblems@gmail.com. or call 608-783-4911.

Healthy Living with Diabetes Class

"Healthy Living with Diabetes class to be offered in Nov/Dec through Gundersen Health System virtually. For more information, please contact Vicky at 608-775-6870.

Lectio: The Case for Jesus

Many people today refer to Jesus as just a prophet and not as the divine Son of God. This week Brant Pitre answers the question "Did Jesus Claim to Be God?". We look at three New Testament passages: the Healing of the Paralytic (Mark 2:1-12), Jesus Walking on Water (Mark 6:45-52), and the Transfiguration (Mark 9:2-7) as passages that show Jesus's revelation of His divinity and His disciples' understanding that Jesus is the one true God.

All are welcome to join us for class or watch the video online on the Formed.org website. Need help getting onto Formed.org? Contact Amy at amy_capelli@charter.net or 608-783-0847

Each week there are 5 class offerings. Join us for the class that best fits your schedule.

Mondays 9:00 - 10:30 am St. James the Less (basement)

6:00 – 7:30 pm Blessed Sacrament

(Parish Hall)

Tuesdays 6:30 - 8:00 pm St. Patrick's (basement)

Wednesdays 1:00 - 2:30 pm Holy Trinity (Leo Hall)

Thursdays 9:15 - 10:45 am St Patrick's (basement)

Fridays 10:30 - 12:00 Noon Cathedral (Undercroft)

Winter Clothing Collection Locations

There's still time to drop off new and gently used coats, hats and mittens for those in need. New and gently used coats, hats and mittens are being accepted through Nov 1 at the following locations: American Legion Auxiliary Unit 52 La Crosse, Castle Reality, La Crosse Main Street Library, Larson's General, Pearl Street Books (no coats, please), People's Food Co-Op, Oolala! Consign, REACH Services and Resource Center, and Wrench & Roll Collective.

Job Opening for WI Right to Life

Wisconsin Right to Life and the Veritas Society have an open position in the fund development department and invite residents of the La Crosse and Eau Claire areas to apply. This is a new position, and applications are accepted on a rolling basis. For more information, look for "Individual Gift Officer – Western Wisconsin" on Indeed.com, or visit the Wisconsin Right to Life blog: <https://bit.ly/wrtl-igo-ww>.

Causeway Caregivers

Causeway Caregivers exists to help! Causeway serves elderly and disabled adults in La Crosse County by providing volunteer services without charge for those in need of a volunteer connection. Raking leaves, grocery shopping, doing errands and helping after a winter weather event are the types of needs Causeway is receiving now. Would you like to volunteer? Do you need a volunteer? Call (608) 775-9999 to get started!

OASIS Respite Program is a weekly program for individuals in the beginning to mid-stages of a dementia, Alzheimer's or other brain related diagnosis. This respite time provides socialization, brain enrichment, and activities while a caregiver gets a four hour much needed break. Suggested donation of \$20 per attendance provides the activities and a nutritious, flavor-forward lunch. OASIS is an outreach program of Causeway Caregivers and be reached at (608) 780-0471

2022-23 Aquinas Enrollment Open

Aquinas High School and Aquinas Middle School welcome you to enroll for the 2022-2023 school year. Aquinas is committed to providing a safe and structured learning environment for its students.

There is much to be excited about with the launch of the Viterbo Education Program, NEW STEM lab, and over fifty extracurriculars to get involved with.

Call (608) 784-0287 to schedule a tour!

Aquinas Catholic Schools is a Christ-centered family devoted to nurturing students of all faiths through educational excellence in its vibrant Catholic tradition.

Contact info@aquinasschools.org with any questions or visit www.aquinascatholicschools.org/enrollment to get started.

St. James & Providence Academy

56th ANNUAL HOLLY BERRY FAIR

WHEN: Saturday, November 12, 2022, 9am-4pm
WHERE: In the Providence Academy Gymnasium
716 Windsor St. across the street from St. James.

WHAT: Booths include Bakery, Fill-a-Bag Rummage & Antiques, Crafts, Raffle Baskets, Silent Auction, Jewelry, Mystery Gifts, Religious Items. Visit Santa's Winter Wonderland for face painting & pictures with Santa! Lunch & refreshments available for dine in or take out.

AHS Musical - The Little Mermaid

AHS MUSICAL - THE LITTLE MERMAID

Showtimes:

Friday, November 11, 2022 @ 7:30pm

Saturday, November 12, 2022 @ 7:30pm

Sunday, November 13, 2022 @ 2:00pm

Aquinas High School Theater

Cost: \$10

Aquinas High School proudly presents The Little Mermaid! Join us as the High School Theater students put on this year's Fall musical. Tickets can be purchased from the Aquinas High School office or at the door 30 minutes prior to the show. The High School office can be contacted at (608) 784-0287.

Crafter Registration Open

St. Mary's Parish is now registering Crafters for their Annual Craft Show held on December 3, 2022 at the Coon Valley Village Hall. Visit our website for registration information at: www.stmarycv.org/craft-show or call the coordinator Nancy Peters at 608-790-6034 or the parish office at 608-452-3841.

Advent Christmas Fair - Nov. 19th

From our Heart and Home to Yours. Advent Christmas Fair Saturday November 19th, 2022 from 8am until 2 pm. Plan to come and bring the family and friends! We're still looking for volunteers and items for donation. Look inside this bulletin and the online bulletin for more information. Thank you!

Men of the Cross Conference - Nov 12

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National Vocations Awareness Week Nov 6 - 12

Greetings from the Journey Program!

My name is Andrew Brueggen and I am the new Associate Director of Vocational Formation for the Diocese of La Crosse. My role is to help young men from our diocese (and from around the United States) discern where God is calling them. Though the main focus of the Journey program is discernment to seminary life, time within the program is focused on helping structure one's life in a way that is open to holiness. This year we have 8 men in the program, 5 from our Diocese! It is incredible what God is doing within their lives. Since the beginning of the year, we have been on retreat, been assisting the local catholic schools and parishes, emceeding for the Bishop and the many Confirmations he has celebrated thus far, working through Scripture, Liturgy, Catechism, and Apologetics, and much more. The fact that these 8 men have stepped out of the world and into this Journey program is amazing in itself. What they are doing is so countercultural to what the rest of the world offers. To live in a community is challenging but rewarding. To have accountability and being vulnerable as brothers in Christ, is difficult but necessary. To develop a habit of prayer is invaluable to become who God is calling you to be. As a dad, my unique role in these young men's lives is to allow the Holy Spirit to help them become the best son of God possible and if that means as a Priest Father, or Dad Father, so be it. These men, God willing, will be some of the most important men in my children's lives growing up, and I am excited to see what God has in-store for these young men. I am humbled with this opportunity since my life has been shaped by the witness of many priests. Vocations are so important! If you know of anyone that is thinking about the priesthood send them our way - Fr. Kuhn and I would be happy to chat. Please pray for our young men, pray for vocations, and know of our prayers for you.

Verso l'alto,
Andrew Brueggen